



# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**TO:** All Planning and Development Services Department Customers

**SUBJECT:** **INFORMATION BULLETIN 178**  
Color Coding and Pipe Labeling for on premise water system applications

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This information bulletin is intended to clarify the 2009 International Plumbing Code (IPC) and local amendments requirements regarding color coding and pipe labeling of potable, non potable, fire, SAWS recycle and reclaim water systems for on premise applications.

Water type:	Color identification	Source/use
Recycle/Reclaim Reference:	Purple background with black lettering 2009 IPC local amendment 608.8.2	SAWS Recycle Water Condensate collection Rainwater collection, Carwash, ponds, rivers, etc.
Non Potable Reference:	Yellow background with black lettering 2009 IPC local amendment 608.8.2	Irrigation, Well water, etc.
Potable Reference:	Green background with white lettering 2009 IPC local amendment 608.1	Public Water system, drinking, culinary, Bathing, etc.
Fire line Reference:	Red background with black lettering Check with Authority Having Jurisdiction	Public Water System, fire hydrant, etc.

The table listed above is not inclusive in regards to the water source and or end use; refer to the code sections referenced for additional requirements.

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Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this information bulletin please feel free to contact John Long, Sr. Plumbing Inspector at (210) 260-3684 or David Rohde, Supervisor Plumbing Division, at (210) 207- 8279.